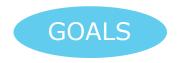


# Interstate 8/ Dogwood Road Interchange

## **FACT SHEET**



Improve motorist safety;

Reduce congestion on Interstate 8 and Dogwood Road; and

Increase interchange capacity and provide easier access to local streets.



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#### THE PROJECT

The project will widen the ramps from one to two lanes and replace the bridge overcrossing from two to six lanes, including two turning lanes. This will help reduce congestion at freeway on-and off-ramps and on Dogwood Road.

#### **TRAFFIC**

The I-8/Dogwood Road area has experienced unprecedented rapid commercial and residential development, making this part of Imperial County the so-called commercial hub of the region.

During busy commercial seasons, vehicle back-ups are experienced on the I-8 ramps and main lanes. Traffic studies have determined that widening the ramps, in addition to signalizing and widening the bridge, is necessary to prevent congestion on I-8 and Dogwood Road.

### **FUNDING**

The estimated total cost of the project is \$33.1 million. Funding is provided by Congress (\$1.7 million), developer contributions from the city of El Centro (\$4.5 million) and the Regional State Transportation Improvement Program (\$26.9 million).

#### **SCHEDULE**

The Project Study Report was concluded by the city of El Centro in June 2007. The Environmental/Project Report Phase is schedule to be complete in 2012. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2013, with completion in 2014.

